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Sen. Joseph Crisco  
Co-chair, Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Rep. Steve Fontana  
Co-Chair, Insurance and Real Estate Committee

Dear Sen. Crisco, Rep. Fontana and Members of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee:

We are writing in support of purposed bills **HB 6582** (an act establishing the CT Health Care Partnership and **HB 6600** (the Sustinet Health Insurance Plan).

Our support is *necessary*, in our view, because healthcare is one of the most important issues before every person especially at this time. No matter what a person's status, class, race, ethnicity, gender, etc.; good health is not a guarantee during your lifespan. We are bombarded with all types of health issues and they continue to grow. (I can attest to this situation because my husband is living this nightmare each day). We are all at the mercy of the medical community for a cure of whatever our illness may be. The problem is that everyone cannot afford the plans that are available now. Not only is affordability an issue, *mediocre healthcare* is not good enough! Everyone should receive the very best health care available!

It is apparent to us that if any proposal is put forth to become law and it assures us that its goal is *affordable healthcare for everyone*, we will then support it. Although we are lay persons trying to understand and interpret the language (law) of the proposed bills, it seems that these bills – HB 6582 and HB 6600- are bringing forth the issue of affordable healthcare for everyone at a lesser cost and better quality; in PARTNERSHIP. That seems to be a great idea.

Sincerely,

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